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Ivy Garcia Court Clerk to the Honorable Wayne D. Brazil United States District Court 1301 Clay Street Oakland, CA 94607

Re: <u>United States v. Jose Jesus Martinez</u>

CR-07-00793 CW and 00-40120 CW

Dear Ms. Garcia:

I write to request that the Court place Mr. Martinez on calendar on Wednesday, March 26 at 10:00 a.m. for substitution of counsel. The Federal Public Defender's Office has a conflict, and Chris Cannon has agreed to take the case as panel counsel. Mr. Martinez is in custody. He is already scheduled to appear before Judge Wilken at 2:00 p.m. on March 26.

If there is any additional information that you need, please let me know. I can be reached directly at (510) 637-1953. Thank you.

Respectfully,

BARRY J. PORTMAN Federal Public Defender

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cc: Daniel Kaleba, AUSA (Oakland) Chris Cannon (by fax)